

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

On a recording medium, first information obtained  
by enciphering data with the first key and second  
information obtained by enciphering the first key with  
each of the predetermined second keys are recorded.

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A deciphering method is characterized by comprising the  
steps of inputting the first and second information,  
deciphering the first key using at least one of the  
second keys, determining by a specific method that the  
obtained first key is correct, and then deciphering the  
data using the first key to obtain the data.

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